

## **PART 11**

### **EQUIVALENTS, PENALTIES, DETENTION AND INVALID STABILITY INFORMATION**

#### **11.1 Alternative Construction, Equipment and Machinery (Regulation 90)**

Consideration to departure from prescribed requirements should only be given where any particular requirement is clearly impractical. Where owners, builders or consultants wish or intend to make relevant submissions, the surveyor should advise them to do so in writing. Cases for departure from the prescribed requirements should be submitted to Headquarters. The surveyor dealing with the case should ensure that his or her submission is accompanied by all relevant facts and appropriate recommendations. Where any regulation provides for acceptance of equivalent arrangements or equipment, the surveyor may accept these without reference to Headquarters. However it should be noted that full details and grounds for such acceptance should be reported in the appropriate file.

#### **11.2 Penalties (Regulation 91)**

The prescribed fines are only for the information of the surveyor.

In the case of contravention of the Regulations referred to in Regulation 91 and where the surveyor considers it necessary, e.g. in case where there may be threat to life or limb, the surveyor should report all relevant facts to the MCA Regional Manager, who will consider whether he should take the matter further.

#### **11.3 Invalid Stability Information (Regulation 93)**

There are cases where due to trading commitments or other valid factors the owners may apply for deferment of a lightweight survey (see also paragraph 5.2.1.3 of these Instructions). In this case application should be made to Headquarters in writing, accompanied by copies of the latest 30 consecutive loading conditions. Printouts from an accepted stability computer system will suffice.